

WASHINGTON, DC- Today, Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) announced that a total of \$364,185 has been awarded to the Cities of Huron, Mendota, Parlier and Firebaugh, along with the Fresno County Fire Protection to help purchase emergency services and systems, fire and rescue equipment, and fire, medical and police vehicles. Funding was released through the US Department of Agriculture made available in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

“Federal investment in our first responders, especially in our Valley’s rural communities, is always needed,” said Costa. “I know these towns and the county will put these dollars to good use by purchasing new equipment or upgrading current technology.”

All of the funding is being provided through USDA Rural Development’s Community Facilities program, which helps finance and develop essential community facilities for public use in rural areas. These facilities include childcare centers, hospitals, medical clinics, assisted living facilities, fire and rescue stations, police stations, community centers, public buildings and transportation.

The City of Huron will receive \$30,000

The City of Mendota will receive \$44,000

The City of Parlier will receive \$70,000

The City of Firebaugh will receive \$27,500 for a new fire truck and \$29,750 for a police car

Fresno County Fire Protection will receive a total of \$162,935

